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FOR ASST. SEC. HOLBROOKE AND AMBASSADOR;WH FOR BRZEZINSKI

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SUBJECT: ROC VICE FOREIGN MINISTER CHIEN CALL ON DEPUTY
SECRETARY CHRISTOPHER

1. DURING APRIL 18 COURTESY CALL ON DEPUTY SECRETARY, ROC
VICE FOREIGN MINISTER CHIEN CITED ROC'S COOPERATION WITH
OUR NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY AND WITH OUR 200-MILE FISHING
ZONE REGULATION AS EVIDENCE OF THE ROC'S STRONG RECORD OF
CLOSE COOPERATION WITH THE US. CHIEN EXPRESSED THE HOPE
THAT THIS SPIRIT OF CLOSE COOPERATION AND MUTUAL UNDER-
STANDING WILL CONTINUE TO GUIDE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES. THE DEPUTY SECRETARY EXPRESSED PLEASURE THAT
OUR GOOD BILATERAL RELATIONS ENABLED US TO SOLVE EXISTING
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PROBLEMS AND APPRECIATION FOR THE ROC'S NON-PROLIFERATION
PROPOSAL AND FOR CHIEN'S OWN ROLE IN ACHIEVING THIS.

2. FOLLOWING A REQUEST THAT CHRISTOPHER CONVEY ROC FOREIGN
MINISTER SHEN'S BEST WISHES TO THE SECRETARY, CHIEN ASKED
ABOUT THE STATUS OF THE FONMIN'S LETTER TO THE SECRETARY
ASKING FOR A US REBUTTAL OF RECENT PRESS REPORTS OF CIA

PAYMENTS TO CHIANG KAI-SHEK. CHIEN WAS TOLD THAT A REPLY HAD BEEN SENT AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDED A COPY.

3. CHIEN SPOKE OF HIS PLEASURE OVER ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE'S VISIT TO TAIPEI, NOTING THAT EXCHANGES OF HIGH LEVEL VISITS WOULD BE CONDUCIVE TO BETTER UNDERSTANDING. HE INVITED CHRISTOPHER TO VISIT TAIWAN, NOTING THIS WOULD BE REASSURING FOR OUR RELATIONS. CHRISTOPHER SAID HE WAS PLEASED THAT HOLBROOKE FOUND TIME TO VISIT TAIPEI, AND SAID HE WOULD KEEP CHIEN'S KIND INVITATION IN MIND.

4. CHIEN THEN EXPRESSED THE HOPE FOR A PUBLIC STATEMENT BY US LEADERS WHICH WOULD EXPRESS THEIR HIGH REGARD FOR US RELATIONS WITH THE ROC AND THE INTENTION TO CONTINUE TO HONOR THE TREATY RELATIONSHIP. CHIEN SAID THIS WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO THE ROC. HE ALLUDED TO THE HABIB-SHEN DISCUSSION OF LAST FEBRUARY, CLAIMING (N.B. INCORRECTLY) THAT HABIB SAID WE WOULD FIND A SUITABLE OCCASION FOR SUCH A STATEMENT. CHIEN ASKED THAT THIS REQUEST BE CONVEYED TO THE SECRETARY.

5. CHRISTOPHER SAID WE WOULD KEEP THIS ROC REQUEST IN MIND AND WOULD INFORM THE SECRETARY OF IT. HE REAFFIRMED THAT THE US WOULD CONTINUE TO BE GOVERNED BY THE SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE. AS WE PROCEED DOWN THIS ROAD, WE WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OUR RELATIONS WITH THE ROC AND ITS SECURITY NEEDS. WE WERE STILL REVIEWING CHINA POLICY AND THE PACE AND MODALITY OF OUR MOVES ON CHINA REMAINED TO BE DECIDED. CHIEN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT OUR REVIEW,
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WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE IMPORTANCE THAT JAPAN, SOUTH KOREA, INDONESIA AND SINGAPORE ATTACH TO US-ROC RELATIONS. CHRISTOPHER SAID THAT WE ALWAYS TOOK THE ATTITUDE OF OTHERS INTO ACCOUNT IN FORMULATING POLICY.

6. UPON DEPARTURE, ACCOMPANYING ROC AMBASSADOR SHEN EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT HE WOULD HAVE REGULAR ACCESS TO THE DEPUTY SECRETARY TO DISCUSS IMPORTANT ISSUES. CHRISTOPHER ASSURED SHEN THAT HE WOULD BE READILY AVAILABLE TO HIM.
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